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AMENDMENT AFTER ALLOWANCE UNDER RULE 312

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Sir:

This Amendment Under Rule 312 is submitted pursuant to the Examiner's requirement for a new Abstract, not exceeding 150 words in length, as set forth in the Notice of Allowability mailed March 3, 2005. Accordingly, entry of this amendment, and insertion of the attached Abstract of the Disclosure in place of the previous version are respectfully requested.

If there are any questions regarding this response or the application in general, a telephone call to the undersigned would be appreciated since this should expedite the prosecution of the application for all concerned.

If necessary to effect a timely response, this paper should be considered as a petition for an Extension of Time sufficient to effect a timely response, and

please charge any deficiency in fees or credit any overpayments to Deposit
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Respectfully submitted,

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